

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 and 3-12 are currently pending in this application. By this Amendment, Claims 1 and 3-6 are amended; Claim 2 is canceled; and Claims 7-12 are added. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter is added by this Amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1-6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,460,076 to Srinivasan.

The applied art does not teach or suggest a first storage region, a second storage region and a third storage region, with the third storage region having an ID unique to the recording medium stored therein, as recited in Claim 1 and similarly recited in the remaining independent claims.

Instead, Srinivasan discloses a system that allows a user to insert a blank disc into a media recorder. The user, through the user interface and web browser, establishes a connection to the World Wide Web and accesses the server 10. At this point, a new session is started and the server will generate a session ID which is passed to the browser. The session ID will be stored in the server against a member ID or credit card information for billing purposes. The user then selects a desired item from the web page and the web browser plug-in will confirm that the media is loaded in the recorder. Once the driver software and the recording device indicates its readiness via the plug-in, the plug-in will send a request to download the desired data from the server. This request may include some of the following information, session ID, type of user interface, and the model and make of the recording device. If none of these devices are compatible, the server will reject the request.

Accordingly, the applied art does not disclose the features recited in the independent claims. Again, in accordance with the features of the claimed invention, an ID is provided

which is unique for the recording medium recorded thereon. On the other hand, Srinivasan merely discloses that the server and the device authenticate by using a session ID, please see column 5, lines 13-37, type of user interface and the model and make of the recording device, as set forth in column 5, lines 46-59.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) based on Srinivasan is respectfully requested.

Consequently, no further issues are believed to be outstanding in the present application, and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. A Notice of Allowance for Claims 1 and 3-12 is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner deem that any further action is necessary to place this application in even better form for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned representative at the below listed telephone number.

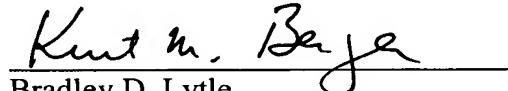
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